IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kanji HATA et al.

Serial No. 10/079,494

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COMPONENT MOUNTING APPARATUS

AND METHOD

: MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT

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Examiner Donghai Nguyen

AMENDMENT

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2004, the time for responding thereto being extended for two months in accordance with a Petition for Extension submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

Replacement Formal Drawings for Figures 33 and 34 have been filed concurrently.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION AND ABSTRACT:

Please replace the original specification and abstract with the enclosed substitute specification and abstract.